as an additional source of funding for commemorative plaques; H. Res. 209, amended, Commemorating the 80th anniversary of the daughters of Penelope, a preeminent international women's association and affiliate organization of the American Hellenic Education Progressive Association (AHEPA); H. Res. 373, Expressing support for designation of the month of September as "National Hydrocephalus Awareness Month;" H. Res. 534, Supporting the goals and ideals of "National Children and Families Day;" H. Res. 566, Congratulating the 2008–2009 National Basketball Association Champions, the Los Angeles Lakers, on an outstanding and historic season; H. Res. 612, Expressing the profound sympathies of the House of Representatives for the victims of the tragic Metrorail accident on Monday, June 22, 2009, and for their families, friends, and associates; H.R. 1713, To name the South Central Agricultural Research Laboratory of the Department of Agriculture in Lane, Oklahoma, and the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 310 North Perry Street in Bennington, Oklahoma, in honor of former Congressman Wesley "Wes" Watkins; H.R. 2877, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 76 Brookside Avenue in Chester, New York, as the "lst Lieutenant Louis Allen Post Office;" H.R. 2971, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 630 Northeast Killingsworth Avenue in Portland, Oregon, as the "Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Post Office;" H.R. 2972, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 115 West Edward Street in Erath, Louisiana, as the "Conrad DeRouen, Jr., Post Office;" H.R. 3072, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 9810 Halls Ferry Road in St. Louis, Missouri, as the "Coach Jodie Bailey Post Office Building;" and H.R. 3119, To designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 867 Stockton Street in San Francisco, California, as the "Lim Poon Lee Post Office."

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

CONGRESSIONAL PROGRAM AHEAD Week of July 13 through July 18, 2009

Senate Chamber

On *Monday*, at 11 a.m., Senate will begin consideration of S. 1390, National Defense Authorization Act.

On *Monday*, at 4:30 p.m., Senate will resume consideration of the nomination of Robert M. Groves,

of Michigan, to be Director of the Census, and after a period of debate, vote on the motion to invoke cloture thereon at 5:30 p.m.

During the balance of the week, Senate may consider any cleared legislative and executive business.

Senate Committees

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Armed Services: July 16, to receive a closed briefing to examine the START Treaty follow-on agreement, 9 a.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: July 14, to hold hearings to examine the creation of a Consumer Financial Protection Agency, 9 a.m., SD–538.

July 15, Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to hold hearings to examine the regulation of hedge funds and other private investment pools, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

July 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine how to prevent home foreclosures, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

July 17, Subcommittee on Economic Policy, to hold hearings to examine the elements of a national manufacturing strategy, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on the Budget: July 16, to hold hearings to examine the long-term budget outlook, 9 a.m., SD-608.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: July 14, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine consumer protection from fraud, 10 a.m., SR–253.

July 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the public safety impact of contraband cell phones in correctional facilities, 10 a.m., SR-253.

July 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Mignon L. Clyburn, of South Carolina, and Meredith Attwell Baker, of Virginia, both to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, 2:30 p.m., SR–253.

July 16, Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety, and Insurance, to hold hearings to examine competition in the health care marketplace, 10 a.m., SR–253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: July 14, to hold hearings to examine S. 796, to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain land, 10 a.m., SD–366.

July 15, Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 227, to establish the Harriet Tubman National Historical Park in Auburn, New York, and the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park in Caroline, Dorchester, and Talbot Counties, Maryland, S. 625, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Waco Mammoth National Monument in the State of Texas, S. 853, to designate additional segments and tributaries of White Clay Creek, in the States of Delaware and Pennsylvania, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 1053, to amend the National Law Enforcement Museum Act to extend the termination date, S. 1117, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational

activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont, S. 1168 and H.R. 1694, bills to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program, and H.R. 714, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands in Virgin Islands National Park, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: July 14, to hold hearings to examine economic opportunities for agriculture, forestry communities, and others in reducing global warming pollution, 10 a.m., SD–406.

July 14, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine transportation's role in climate change and reducing greenhouse gases, 2:30 p.m., SD–406.

July 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine moving toward a clean energy economy, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Finance: July 14, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William J. Wilkins, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel, Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, and Rosa Gumataotao Rios, of California, to be Treasurer of the United States, all of the Department of the Treasury, and Carmen R. Nazario, of Puerto Rico, to be Assistant Secretary for Family Support, Department of Health and Human Services, 10 a.m., SD–215.

Committee on Foreign Relations: July 14, business meeting to consider pending calendar business, Time to be announced, S–116, Capitol.

July 15, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Vilma S. Martinez, of California, to be Ambassador to Argentina, Nicole A. Avant, of California, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Vinai K. Thummalapally, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to Belize, and John R. Nay, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname, all of the Department of State, 10 a.m., SD–419.

July 15, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine maritime disputes and sovereignty issues in East Asia, 2:30 p.m., SD–419.

July 16, Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine instability, terrorism, and economic disruption in relation to oil, 9:30 a.m., SD–419.

July 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Anne Elizabeth Derse, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Lithuania, Donald Sternoff Beyer, Jr., of Virginia, to be Ambassador to Switzerland, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Principality of Liechtenstein, Howard W. Gutman, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to Belgium, and David H. Thorne, of Massachusetts, to be Ambassador to the Italian Republic, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Republic of San Marino, all of the Department of State, 3 p.m., SD–419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: July 13, business meeting to continue consideration of Affordable Health Choices Act, subcommittee assignments, and any nominations cleared for action, 2 p.m., SR-325.

July 16, Subcommittee on Employment and Workplace Safety, to hold hearings to examine the Workforce Investment Act of 1998, 10 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: July 15, to hold hearings to examine the REAL ID Act, 10 a.m., SD-342.

July 16, Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Christine M. Griffin, of Massachusetts, to be Deputy Director, Office of Personnel Management, and Stuart Gordon Nash, to be an Associate Judge of the Superior Court of the District of Columbia, 10 a.m., SD–342.

July 16, Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Contracting Oversight, to hold hearings to examine contracting for Alaska native corporations, 2:30 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on the Judiciary: July 13, to hold hearings to examine the nomination of Sonia Sotomayor, of New York, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Committee on Rules and Administration: July 15, business meeting to mark up S. 1415, to amend the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act to ensure that absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters are aware of their voting rights and have a genuine opportunity to register to vote and have their absentee ballots cast and counted, 9:30 a.m., SR–301.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: July 14, to hold hearings to examine bridging the gap in care of women veterans, 9:30 a.m., SR-418.

Select Committee on Intelligence: July 15, closed business meeting to mark up an original bill authorizing funds for fiscal year 2010 for the intelligence community, 2:30 p.m., S—407, Capitol.

House Committees

Committee on Agriculture, July 14, Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy and Poultry, hearing to review the economic conditions facing the dairy industry, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

July 16, full Committee, hearing to review current issues in food safety, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Appropriations, July 13, Subcommittee on Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies, to mark up fiscal year 2010 appropriations, 7 p.m., 2358–A Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Defense, executive, to mark up fiscal year 2010 appropriations, 9 a.m., H–140 Capitol.

July 17, full Committee, to mark up the Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies appropriations for fiscal year 2010, 9 a.m., 2359 Rayburn.

Committee on Armed Services, July 15, hearing on Addressing a New Generation of Threats from Weapons of Mass Destruction: Department of Energy Nonproliferation Programs and the Department of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Program, 10 a.m. 2118 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Beyond Service Core Competency: Are Our Junior Officers Prepared for Today's Security Environment? 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 16, full Committee, hearing on Prosecuting Law of War Violations: Reforming the Military Commissions Act of 2006, 2 p.m., 2118 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Defense Acquisition Reform Panel, hearing on Managing Serviced Contracts: What Works and What Doesn't? 8 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Seapower and Expeditionary Forces, oversight hearing for the Electromagnetic Aircraft Launch Systems (EMALS), 10 a.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, July 16, hearing on Budgeting for Nuclear Waste Management, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Financial Services, July 13, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing entitled "Preventing Unfair Trading by Government Officials," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 14, Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises, hearing entitled "SEC Oversight: Current State and Agenda," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 15, full Committee, hearing entitled "Banking Industry Perspectives on the Obama Administration's Financial Regulatory Reform Proposals," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee Housing and Community Opportunity, to continue hearings entitled "Legislative Options for Preserving Federally- and State-Assisted Affordable Housing and Preventing Displacement of Low-Income, Elderly and Disabled Tenants," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Domestic Monetary Policy and Technology, hearing entitled "Regulatory Restructuring: Safeguarding Consumer Protection and the Role of the Federal Reserve," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

July 17, full Committee, hearing entitled "Industry Perspectives on the Obama Administration's Financial Regulatory Reform Proposals," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, July 15, Subcommittee on Transportation Securityand Infrastructure Protection, hearing entitled "General Aviation Security: Assessing Risks and the Road Ahead," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

July 16, Subcommittee on Border, Maritime and Global Counterterrorism, hearing entitled "Combating Border Violence: The Role of Interagency Coordination in Investigations," 10 a.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, July 15, Sub-committee on Elections, hearing on Examining Uniformity in Election Standards, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, July 14, Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy, hearing on Biologics and Biosimilars: Balancing Incentives for Innovation, 2 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 14, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security, hearing on Mandatory Minimums and Unintended Consequences; and to consider the following bills: H.R. 2934, Common Sense in Sentencing Act of 2009; H.R. 834, Ramos and Compean Justice Act

of 2009; and H.R. 1466, Major Drug Trafficking Prosecution Act of 2009, 10:30 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 1064, Youth Prison Reduction Through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support and Education Act, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, July 15, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2678, Duwamish Tribal Recognition Act; H.R. 1358, Burt Lake of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Reaffirmation Act; H.R. 30842576, Chinook Nation Restoration Act; and H.R. 3120, Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, July 14, Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia, oversight hearing entitled "Back on Track: WMATA Red Line Metrorail Accident and Continual Funding Challenges," 2 p.m., 2247 Rayburn.

July 14, Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs, hearing entitled "U.S. Promotion of the Afghan Economy: Impediments and Opportunities," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

July 16, full Committee and the Subcommittee on Domestic Policy, to continue joint hearings entitled "Bank of America and Merrill Lynch: How Did a Private Deal Turn Into a Federal Bailout? Part III," 10 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.

Committee on Rules, July 13, hearing on H.R. 1549, Preservation of Antibiotics for Medical Treatment Act of 2009, 2:30 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

July 14, to consider the following: H.R. 3170, Financial Services and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010; and the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010, 3 p.m., H–313 Capitol.

Committee on Science and Technology, July 14, Sub-committee on Energy and Environment, hearing on New Roadmaps for Wind and Solar Research and Development, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, to consider H.R. 2569, To authorize surface transportation research, development, and technology transfer activities, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing on Providing Aviation Weather Services to the FAA, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics, hearing on Enhancing the Relevance of Space to Address National Needs, 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, July 15, hearing entitled "Economic Recovery: Tax Stimulus Items that Benefitted Small Business with a Look Ahead," 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn

July 16, Subcommittee on Investigations and Oversight, hearing entitled "The Upcoming Highway Bill and Ensuring It Meets the Needs of Small Businesses," 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, July 15, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Evaluating GSA's First Experience with National Broker Contracts, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 15, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on "Opportunities and Challenges in the Creation of a Clean Water Trust Fund," 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Green Buildings Offer Multiple Benefits: Cost Savings, Clean Environment and Jobs, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

July 16, Subcommittee on Highways and Transit, hearing on The Importance of a Long-Term Surface Transportation Authorization in Sustaining Economic Recovery, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, July 14, Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Examining

the Progress of Electronic Health Record Interoperability Between VA and DOD, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

July 15, full Committee, to mark up pending business, 10:15 a.m., 334 Cannon.

July 16, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and the Subcommittee on Memorial Affairs and Health, joint hearing on Eliminating the Gaps: Examining Women Veterans' Issues, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

July 16, Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, hearing on State Approving Agencies, 1 p.m., 340 Cannon

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, July 14, Sub-committee on Intelligence Community Management, hearing on Security Clearance Reform, 1:30 p.m., room to be announced.